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AMENDMENT

STR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March, 10, 2003, kindly reconsider the present application in light of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 6 without prejudice as follows:

- 6. (Three times Amended) A probe for determining an oxygen concentration in a gas mixture, comprising:
 - a Nernst measuring cell including:

a Nernst electrode exposed to the gas mixture to be measured via a diffusion barrier, a reference electrode exposed to a reference gas, and a solid electrolyte body arranged between the Nernst electrode and the reference electrode;

a pump cell including:

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